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House Bill 1236

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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Chapter 2 of Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 2 apportionment of the House of Representatives and Senate and qualifications of members,
- 3 so as to change certain provisions regarding the apportionment and qualifications for the
- 4 House of Representatives; to provide for other matters relative to the foregoing; to provide
- 5 an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

## 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 SECTION 1.

- 8 Chapter 2 of Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to apportionment
- 9 of the House of Representatives and Senate and qualifications of members, is amended by
- 10 revising subsection (d) of Code Section 28-2-1, relating to apportionment and qualifications
- 11 for the House of Representatives, as follows:
- 12 "(d) For purposes of this Code section:
- 13 (1) The terms 'Tract' and 'BG' (Block Group) shall mean and describe the same
- geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the
- United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric
- designations in a Tract description which are underneath a 'BG' heading shall mean and
- describe individual Blocks within a Block Group as provided in the report of the Bureau
- of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia; and
- 19 (2) Except as otherwise provided in the description of any representative district,

whenever the description of any representative district refers to a named city, it shall

- mean the geographical boundaries of that city as shown on the census maps for the
- United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia."
- SECTION 2.
- 24 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
- 25 without such approval.

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SECTION 3.

2 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.